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**From:** O'Reilly, Maureen [OReilly.Maureen@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/25/2018 1:04:24 PM  
**To:** Thomas, Deb [thomas.debrah@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Action Requested by 10/31: Please Confirm or Select a Point of Contact for ECCR Annual Report to OMB & CEQ  
**Attachments:** FY 2017 EPA ECCR Annual Report Final 1.pdf; 2018 ECCR Report - Office-Region Questionnaire.pdf; FY 2018 ECCR Report - Office-Regional Contacts.pdf

**Importance:** High

Deb – This initial message bounced back to me, so I am resending it. Thank you! - Maureen

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**From:** O'Reilly, Maureen  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 25, 2018 7:02 AM  
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**Importance:** High

Deb – I wanted to assure you that I will be taking care of the annual ECCR report for Region 8 as part of my job duties as ADR Coordinator. I'll work with Missy to get information about the ALJ mediations that were conducted in our Part 22 cases this year, if there were any.

Thank you for your constant support for the use of ADR in our region! - Maureen

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**From:** Briskin, Jeanne  
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Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your continued support for the use of environmental collaboration and conflict resolution (ECCR) and alternative dispute resolution to help achieve better outcomes and save resources for EPA and our stakeholders. I appreciate your team's work in supporting mediation, facilitation and training for your programs and staff. In addition, your input to EPA's FY 2017 Annual Report to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) was essential to showcase EPA's leadership in this arena. A copy of our FY 2017 report is attached for your information.

The Conflict Prevention and Resolution Center (CPRC) in the Office of General Counsel is now beginning to prepare EPA's FY 2018 annual report on the Agency's use ECCR.

Requested action: by **Wednesday, October 31, 2018**, please **confirm designation of a lead person** in your organization to participate in this process. For your reference, I have attached a list of contacts who assisted with last year's report or who have already indicated that they should be the contact this year. *We will work with the person on this list unless we hear otherwise from you by October 31, 2018.*

Next steps:

1. Jake will ask the person you identify to lead preparation of your Office's or Region's response to a **brief questionnaire** (attached). This questionnaire follows the elements that OMB requires that we address. Jake will very soon provide a **draft list of FY 2018 ECCR cases** to your lead contact person. They should review and verify or amend this list to assure that it is complete and accurate.

Jake will give your contact specific instructions on these activities and will invite him or her to participate in a **conference call on Thursday, November 1**, to address any questions. Jake will follow up individually with anyone who cannot attend this call.

2. Once your ECCR annual report lead has completed the questionnaire and the revised list of cases, we ask that you review and authorize the response for your Office or Region. All responses are due by November 30, 2018, to Jake Strickler ([strickler.jacob@epa.gov](mailto:strickler.jacob@epa.gov)).

Background:

ECCR is the involvement of a neutral third party, such as a mediator or facilitator, who assists parties in collaborative dialogues or negotiations to address or resolve environmental or natural resource issues. OMB and CEQ require EPA and other agencies to prepare an annual report regarding the use of ECCR. Jake Strickler, from OGC's Conflict Prevention and Resolution Center, is EPA's lead for this activity.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with EPA's ECCR annual report. Please contact me at 202-564-4583 or ask your staff to contact Jake at 202-564-4692 if you have any questions.

Best,

Jeanne

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